GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS
NARAYAN DATT TIWARI

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of private educational institutions in the country have been prefixing the words 'Indian Institute' or 'National' along with their names;

(b) if so, whether the Government has taken any initiative/action to stop such a misuse of words; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a), (b) & (c) : Government is aware of the fact that a number of private educational institutions in the country have been prefixing the words ' Indian Institute' / 'National Institute'. This is prohibited under the Emblems and Names (Prevention of Improper Use) Act,1950 since this gives an impression of the patronage of the Central Government. The competent authority has been approached to initiate action under this Act and not to register a new society or a company with these names and advise the companies or societies already registered with these names to change their names. It has also been decided to give wide publicity to the specific provisions of this Act to avoid improper use of such names.